

REMARKS

Claims 1-29 are pending in the application with Claims 1, 15, 22 and 26 being independent claims. It is gratefully acknowledged that Claims 22-29 have been allowed, and Claims 3, 4, 6, 13, 14, 16-19 and 21 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected based claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Examiner rejected Claims 1, 2, 11, 12, 15, and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Chen (US Patent No. 6,731,936). The Examiner rejected Claims 5 and 7-10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Chen (US Patent No. 6,731,936) in view of Sinnarajah (US Patent No. 6,980,820). The Examiner objected Claims 1 and 26 to because of the informalities.

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claim 13 has been amended to overcome a lack of antecedent basis.

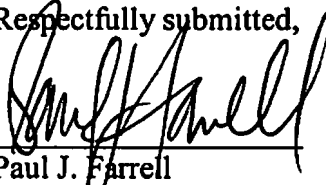
Regarding the rejection of independent Claims 1 and 15 under §102(e), the Examiner states that Chen anticipates each and every element of the claim. Claims 1 and 15 each recite "... a control data including configuration information necessary for accessing MBMS control channels (MCCHs) of neighbor cells and control information necessary for accessing an MBMS data transport channel (MTCH) of the serving cell..." After reviewing Figure 2 and the specification of Chen, Chen does not disclose the configuration information as claimed in Claims 1 and 15. It is respectfully asserted that the configuration information of the present application represents a configuration of MBMS control channels (MCCHs), which is different from an HSBS neighbor configuration indicator (e.g. it represents a configuration of F-BSCH, which appears to correspond more likely to the MBMS data transport channel (MTCH) of the present application) of Chen. Furthermore, Chen does not disclose either "...receiving a control data ...over an MCCH of the serving cell..." as claimed in Claim 1 or "...transmitting a control data ...over the secondary common control channel of the serving cell..." as claimed in Claim 15, because the HSBS neighbor configuration indicator appears to be transmitted on each channel F-BSCH (in particular, see col. 7, line 42-46).

Because the above arguments are believed to place independent Claims 1 and 15 in condition for allowance, then, at least because of their dependence on these claims respectively, dependent Claims 2-14 and 16-21 are also in condition for allowance.

Regarding the objection to Claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner is incorrect because the control data includes both configuration information necessary for accessing MBMS control channels (MCCHs) of neighbor cells and control information necessary for accessing an MBMS data transport channel (MTCH) of the current serving cell. It is respectfully asserted that a corresponding MBMS control channel (MCCH) of a target cell will be utilized for accessing an MBMS data transport channel (MTCH) of the target cell, if cell reselection to a target cell, which is one of the neighbor cells, is determined.

Regarding the objection to Claim 26, Claim 26 has been amended as requested by the Examiner.

The application as now presented, containing Claims 1-29 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

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